



Blue Lake City Council Minutes

Tuesday, May 7, 2019 ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ Special Council Meeting
Skinner Store Building ~ 111 Greenwood Rd., Blue Lake ~ Behind City Hall

Call to Order: 6:31 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Adelene Jones (Mayor), Chris Curran, Summer Daugherty, Bobbi Ricca (Mayor Pro-Tem)

Councilmembers Absent: Elaine Hogan

Staff Present: City Manager Amanda Mager, City Clerk April Sousa, City Planner Garry Rees

Approve Agenda

Daugherty/Ricca *motion to approve the agenda as delivered.* The motion carried unanimously.

Presentation from LAFCo (Local Agency Formation Commission) regarding Master Service Element and Sphere of Influence Update for the City

George Williamson and Sarah West from Planwest Partners, representing Humboldt LAFCo, gave a report on who Humboldt LAFCo was and what they do.

City Planner Rees was also present to give an overview of the process that he has been assisting Planwest and LAFCo with.

It was noted that there would be a Humboldt LAFCo meeting in the Humboldt County Supervisors chambers on May 15, 2019 at 9 a.m. regarding this topic. This presentation was to give the Blue Lake City Council an opportunity to comment, give feedback, and give recommendations to Humboldt LAFCo.

The Master Service Element was discussed first. Council gave feedback, made some edits and discussed some typographical errors.

The update to the Blue Lake Sphere of Influence was discussed second. Information was given on reasons for decreasing the Sphere of Influence, as well as part of the process needed if the City wished to increase its sphere. The current boundary, a reduced alternate boundary, and a levee alternate boundary were discussed.

It was noted that the Sphere of Influence is directly tied to services currently offered and the probable capacity to annex properties in the future.

The economic impacts of annexation were briefly discussed.

Council was provided with an opportunity to discuss its options. Direction to staff was made to ask for a continuance of the hearing that would take place on May 15th in order to further evaluate data, develop a third alternative plan with LAFCo staff and to discuss a possible sphere expansion application.

Motion to Adjourn

Ricca/Daugherty *motion to adjourn.* The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.